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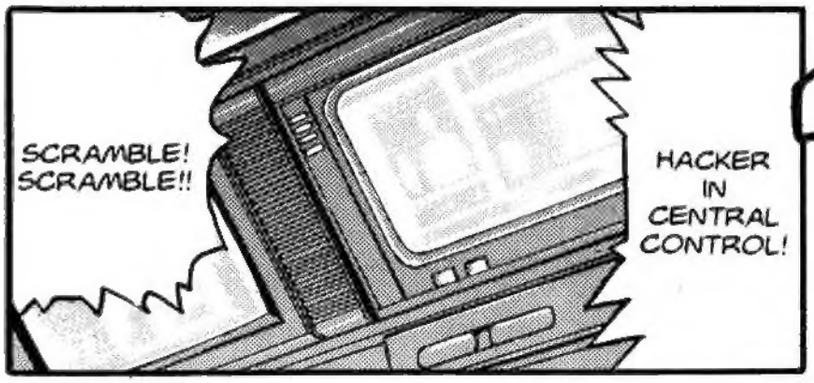
The unforgettable story of a girl and her robot! When schoolgirl Rushiha is suddenly attacked by a humanoid robot, another robot appears out of the blue to rescue her! Who sent him? And why does he insist on staying on as her personal bodyguard?

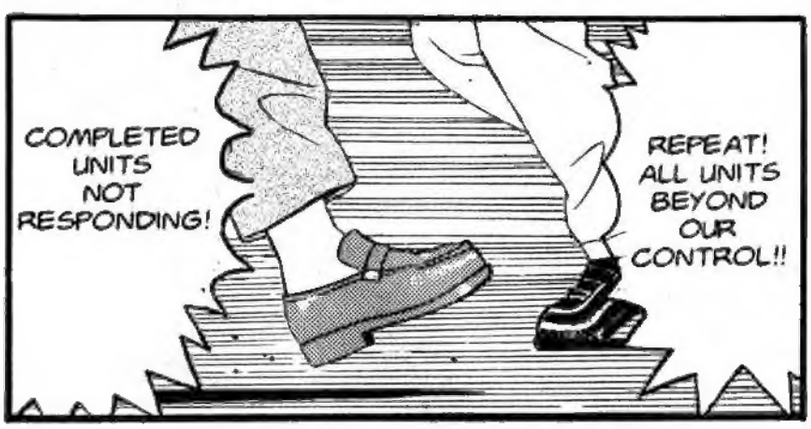
Name: **METAL GUARDIAN FAUST**
Identity: ROBOT
Notes: Who is this knight in shining armor with a head of metal and a heart of gold?

Name: **RUSHIHA**
Identity: TEENAGER
Notes: Rushiha is an expert video gamer. Her fast reflexes will come in handy now that she is being attacked by mysterious robots!

WOO! WOO!
RR
RR


SCRAMBLE! SCRAMBLE!!
HACKER IN CENTRAL CONTROL!

WNNNNN

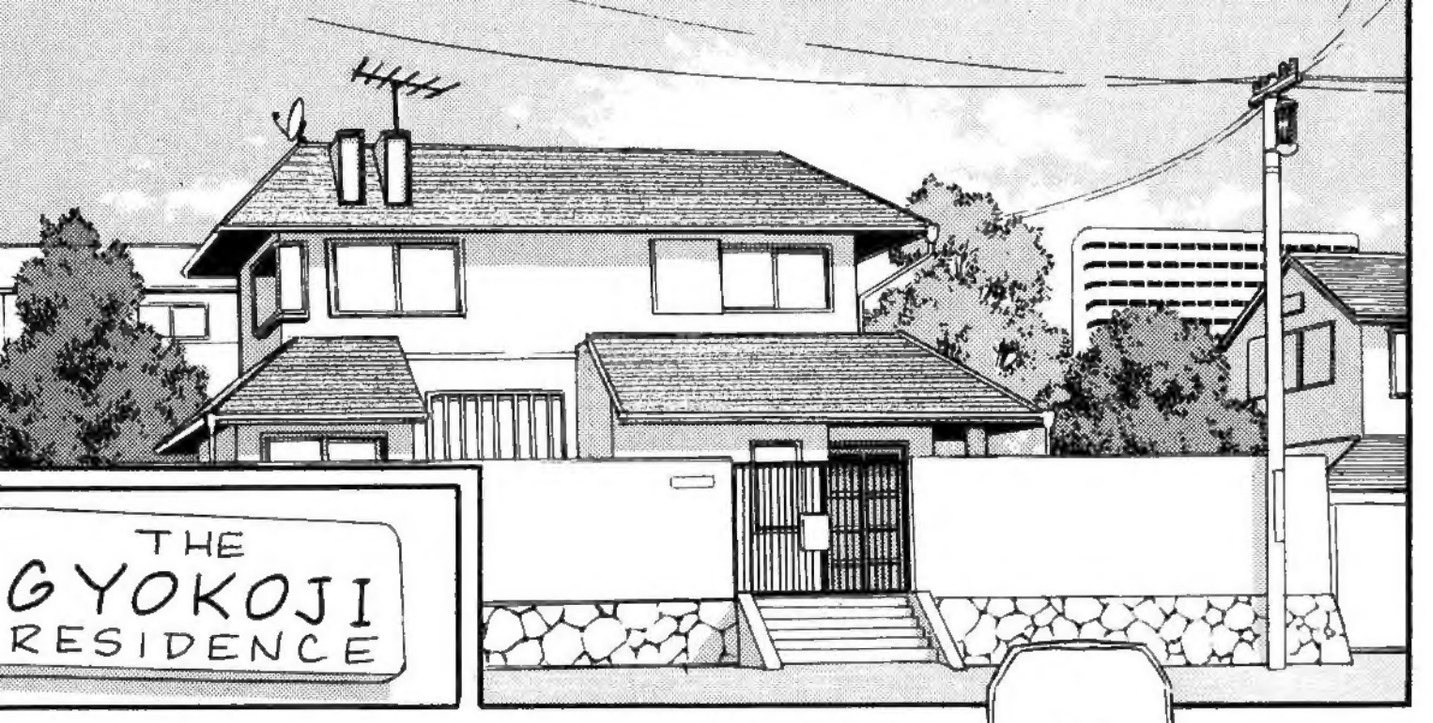

COMPLETED UNITS NOT RESPONDING!
REPEAT! ALL UNITS BEYOND OUR CONTROL!!

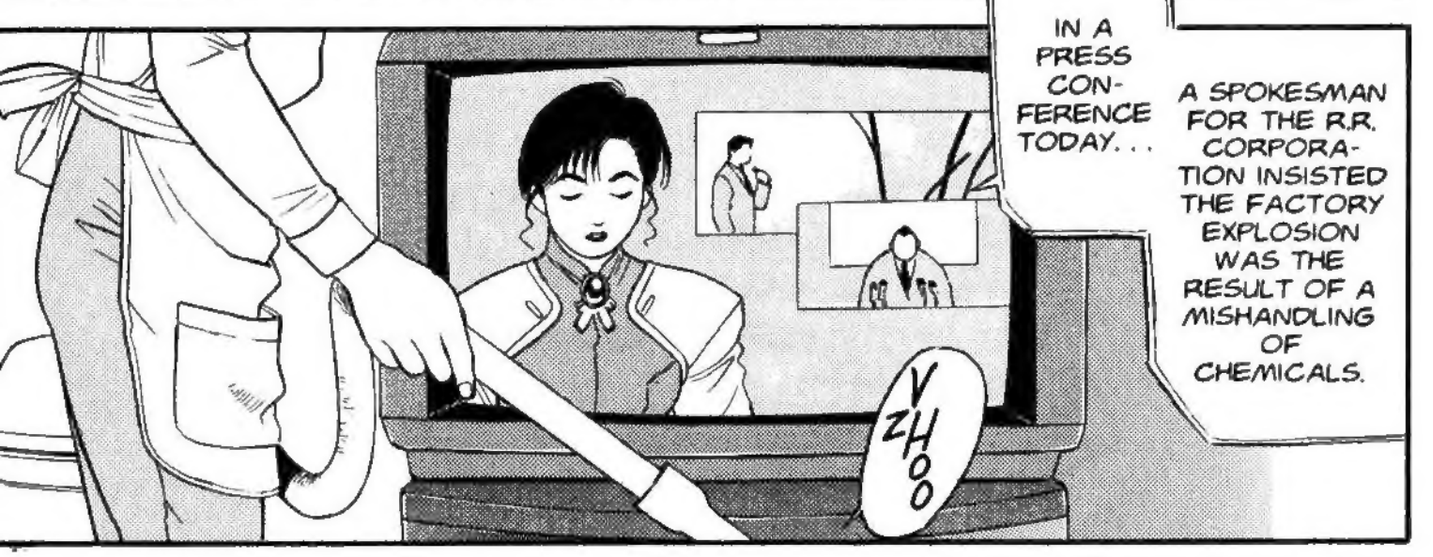
DOOSH

MISSION 1
CLASH OF THE STEEL WARRIORS

Tokyo, Akibahara
THIS GIRL?
I SEE.
YOU KNOW, THE GAME CORNER.
AT DODESU ELECTRIC.
FIP
WHERE?
I THINK I HAVE. JUST A MINUTE AGO.
NEVER SEEN HER.

THANKS.
BRN! BRN!
SK
WE
COOL HELMET, HUH, POPS?
IF YOU SAY SO.


THE
GYOKOJI
RESIDENCE


IN A PRESS CONFERENCE TODAY...
A SPOKESMAN FOR THE R.R. CORPORATION INSISTED THE FACTORY EXPLOSION WAS THE RESULT OF A MISHANDLING OF CHEMICALS.
ZHOO

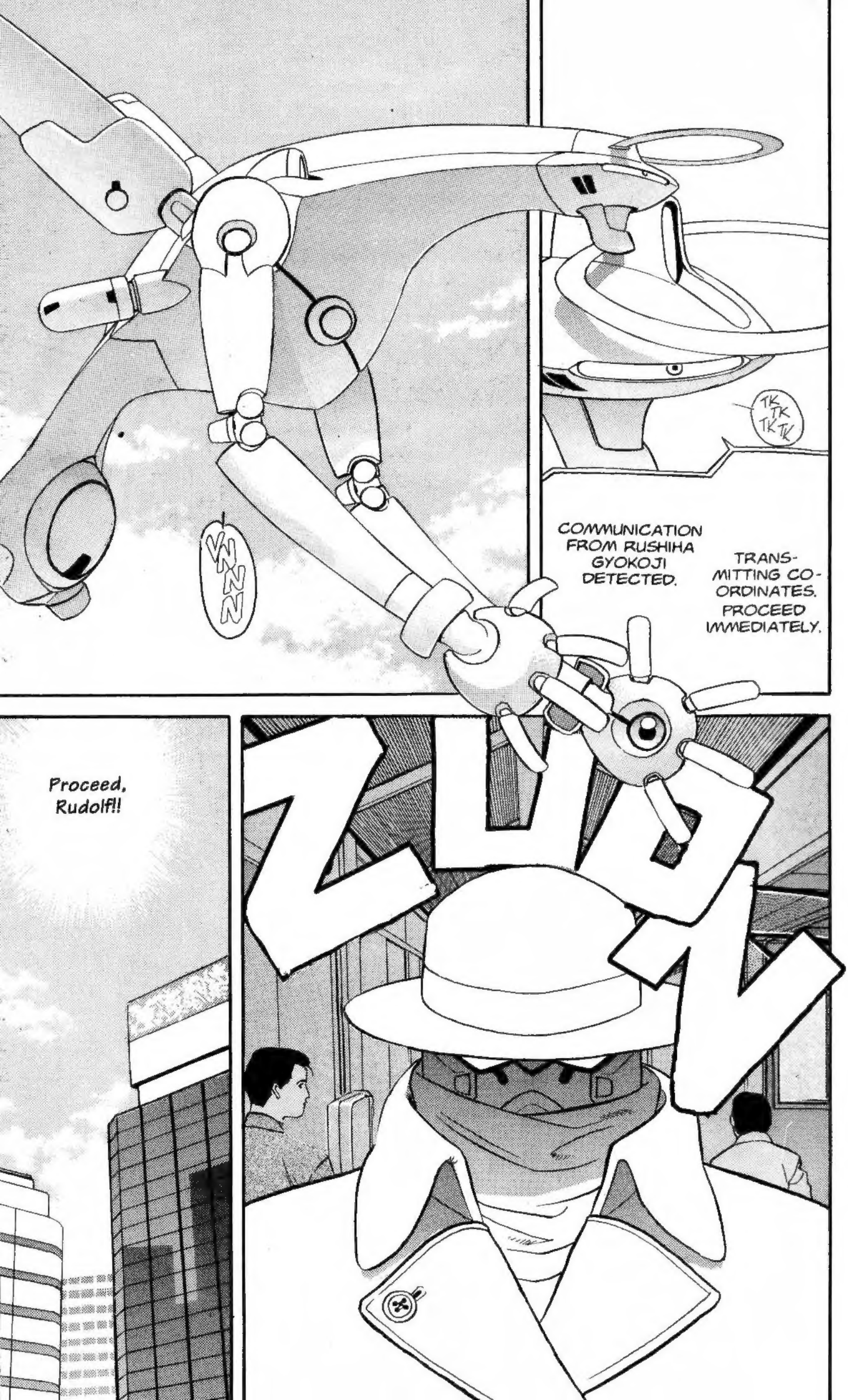
RRR
BUT OTHERS HAVE EXPRESSED DOUBTS...

RRR
CLK

GYOKOJI RESIDENCE.

OH, HANAKO? IT'S ME, RUSHIHA.
I'M GONNA PLAY A LITTLE BEFORE GOING HOME, SO DON'T BOTHER MAKING LUNCH FOR ME.
YEAH.
HEEJAH
TA DM
WHERE?
I'M AT DODESU ELECTRIC.
YEAH, THE GAME CORNER.
WOOSH
AH!
DING DING!

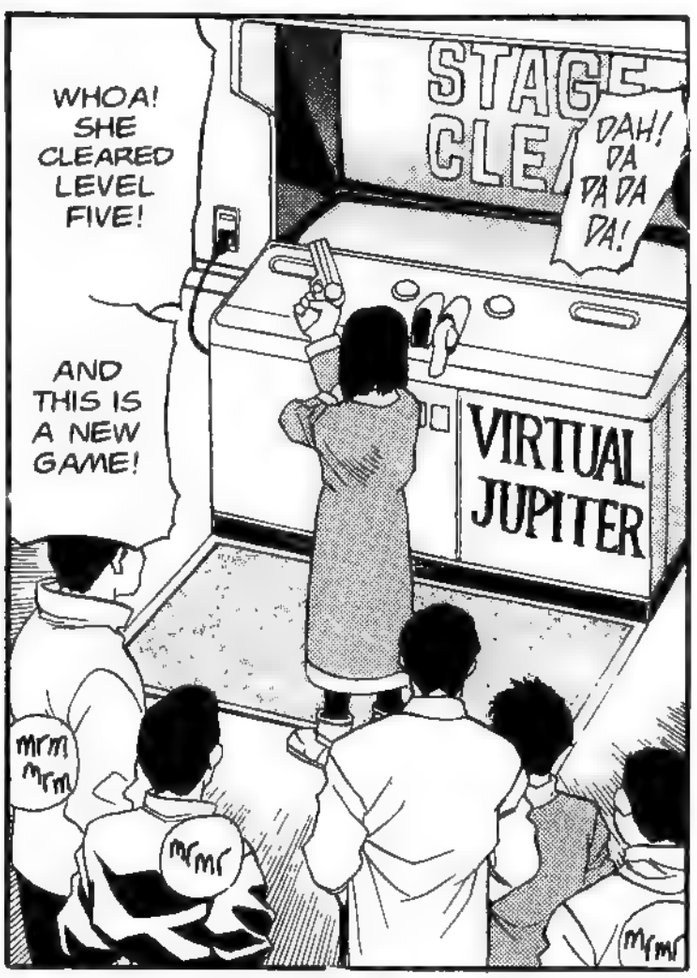
YEAH, YEAH.
I'LL WATCH OUT FOR CARS AND PERVERTS.
RIGHT.
SEE YA.
KLIK
DODESU
LECTRI


TK TK TK TK
WNNN
COMMUNICATION FROM RUSHIHA GYOKOJI DETECTED.
TRANS-MITTING CO-ORDINATES. PROCEED IMMEDIATELY.
Proceed, Rudolf!!
ZUN

TOK
TOK
TOK
TOK
TOK
TOK
BRN
BRN
BRN
BRVBRN
BRN
BRN

BL
DA
WA

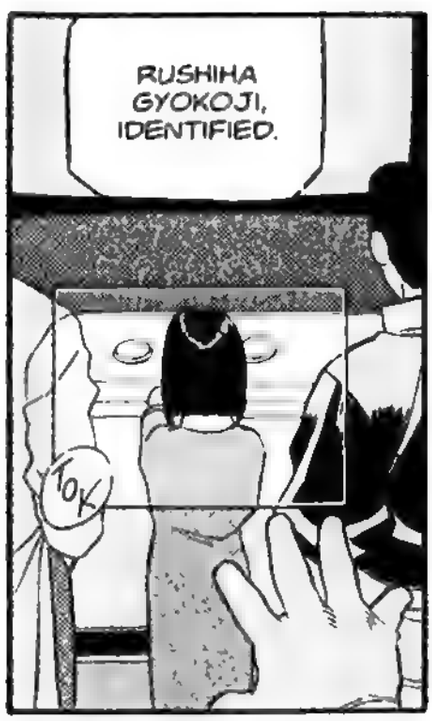
YES!!
WOW!!
SHA


WHOA! SHE CLEARED LEVEL FIVE!
AND THIS IS A NEW GAME!
STAGE CLE
DAH! DA DA DA DA!
VIRTUAL JUPITER
mrm mrm
mrmr
mrmr

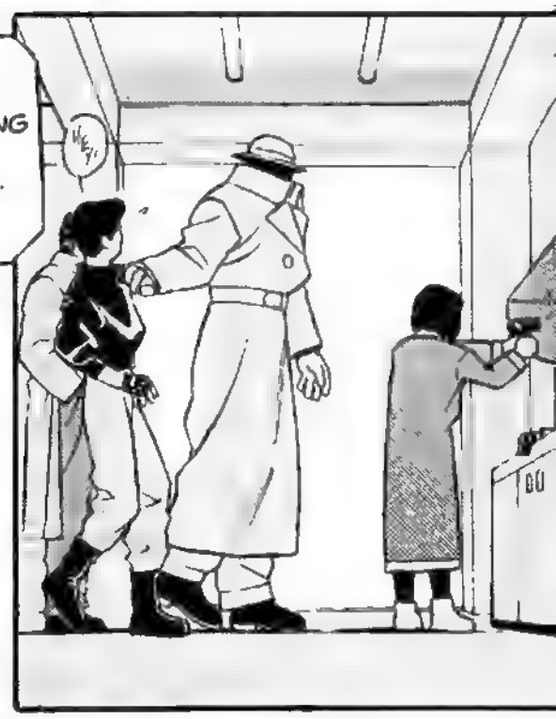
VZZZ
Thank you! Thank you
Yo level 6 is beginning

CHIK

BIP

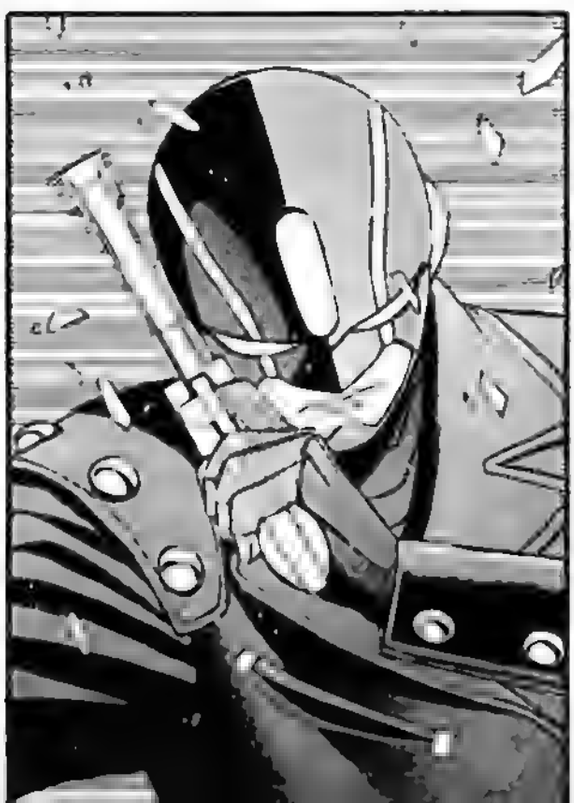

RUSHIHA GYOKOJI, IDENTIFIED.
TOK

PROCEEDING TO CAPTURE.

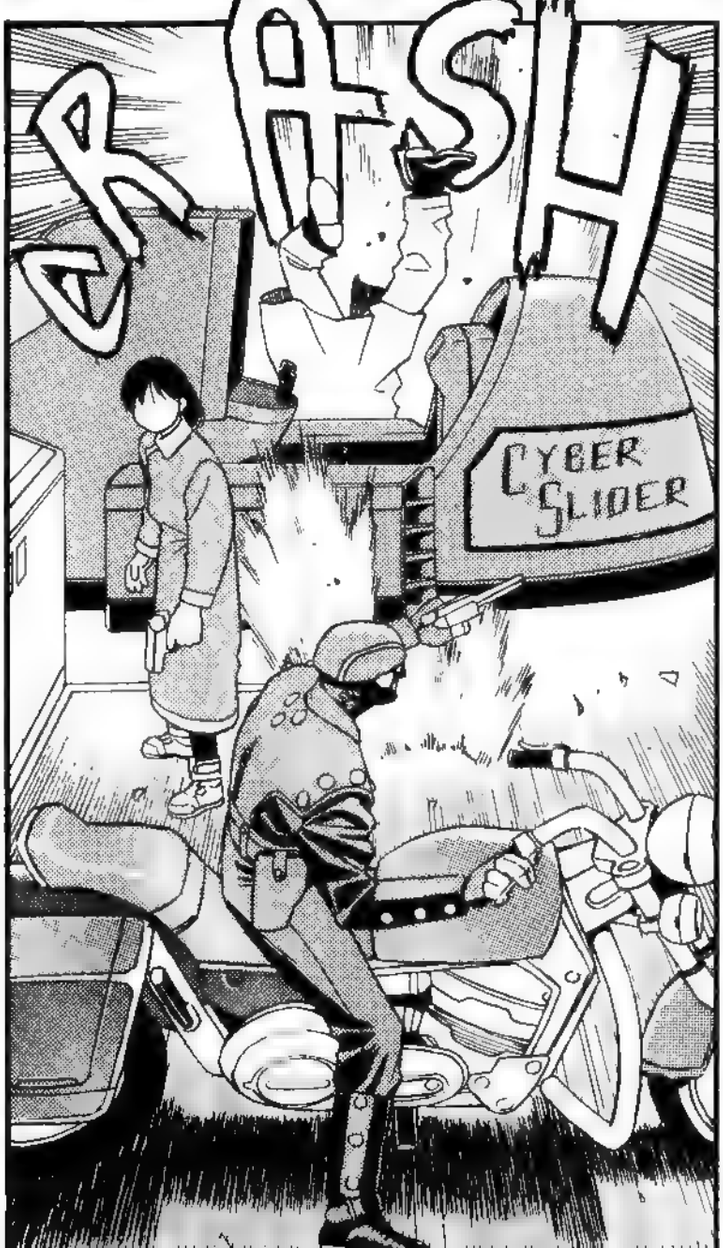

HEY!

KASHI

!?



BLAM
BLAM


CRASH
CYBER SLIDER

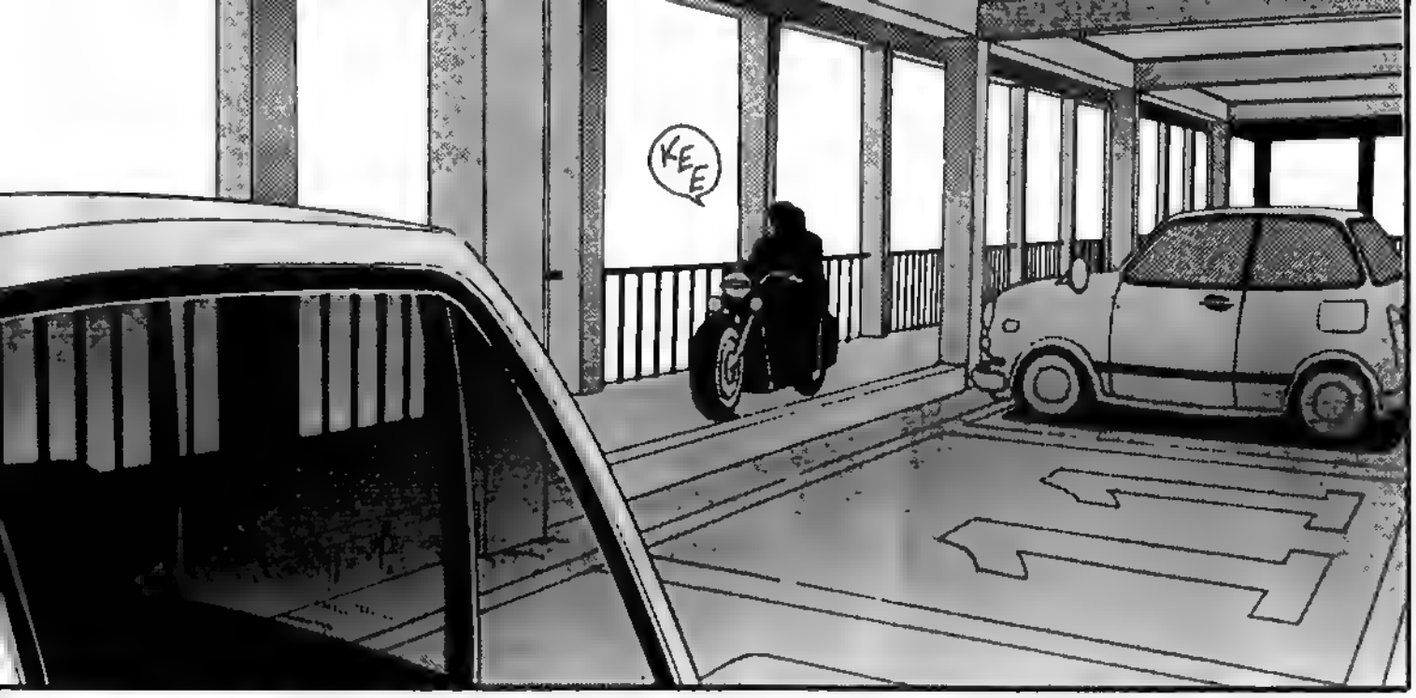
HUH?
WHAT THE—?

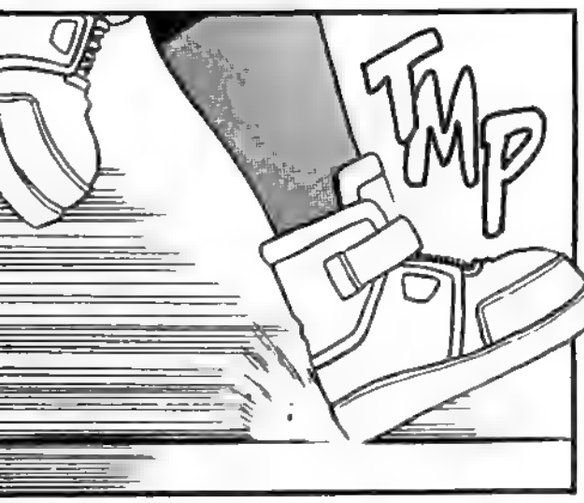
GET ON, RUSHIHA!!

HUH?

WHAT IN—!?
mrmr mrmr
HUH?!
AH!
IS THIS CANDID CAMERA!? (OLD JOKE!)
WAHH!!
SOMEONE TELL ME WHAT'S GOING ON!
KEE KEE KEE
BRN
BRNBRNBRNBRNBRN
FAP

SKISH
BRN BRN BRN BRN BRN BRN BRN BRN
STOP!
I SAID, STOP!!
BRN BRN
TCH!

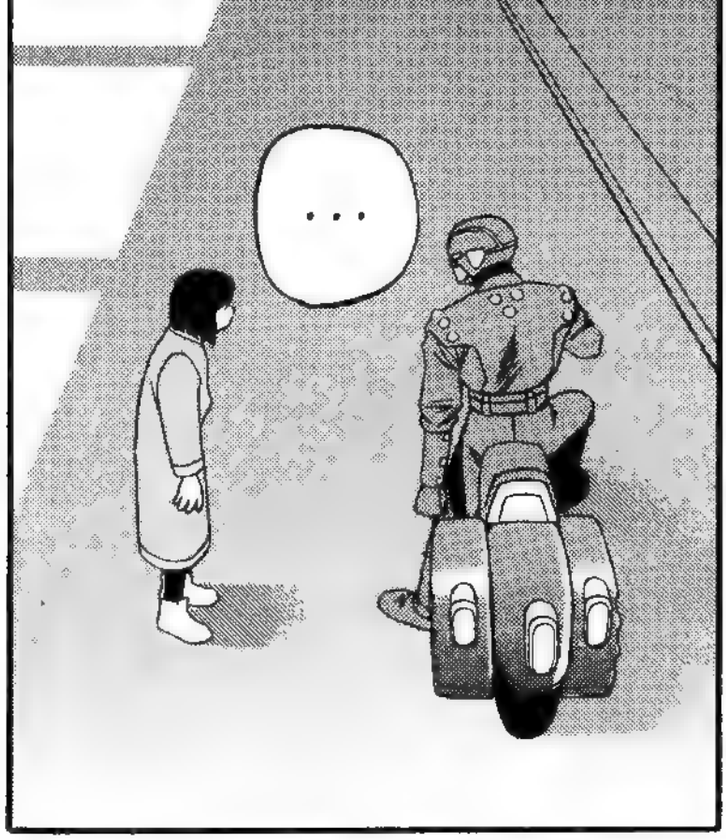

KEE


TMP

SHA

WHO ARE YOU?
WHAT ARE YOU GONNA DO WITH ME?

I'M A ROBOT.
I AM HERE TO PROTECT YOU.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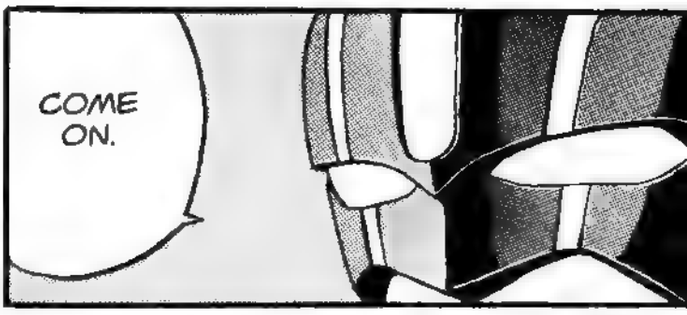
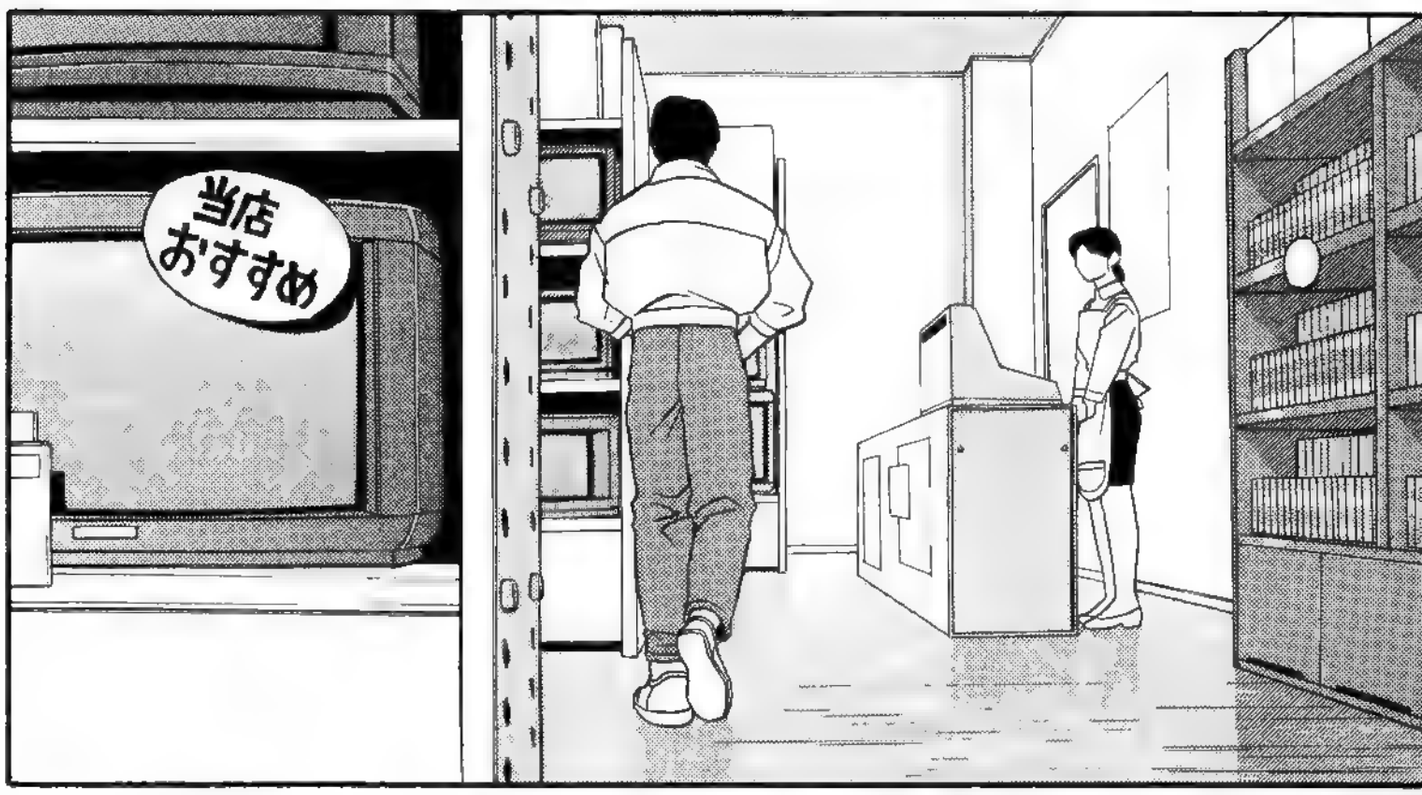
FOR REAL?
FOR REAL.


COME ON.


当店
おすすめ

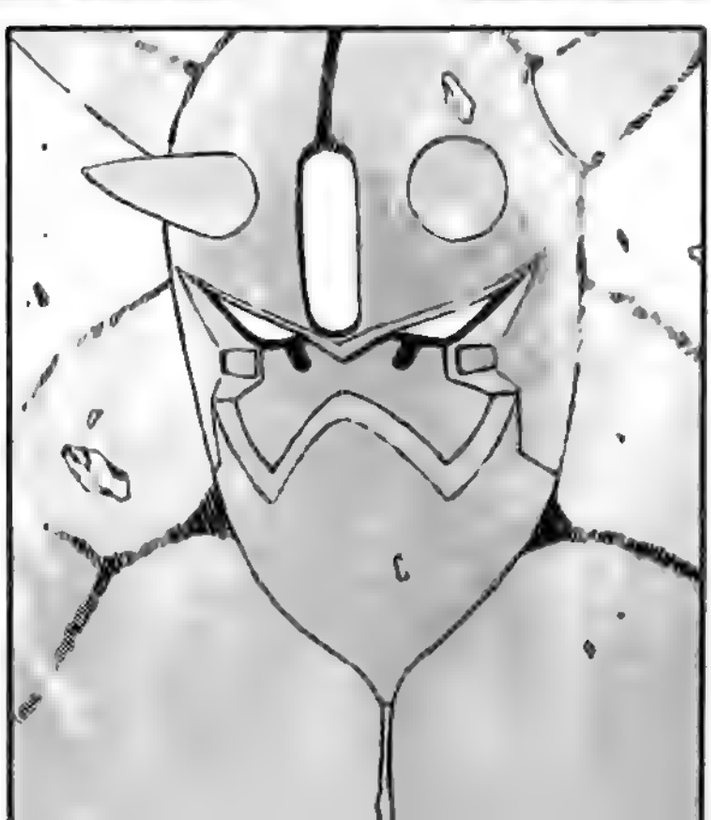
UH. . .
YOO-
HOO. . .
STOPPING TO BUY A TV?

SHA

!!
CHK
SHH
SHH
CHK
D-
DAD !!
RUSHIHA I KNOW THIS MUST COME AS A SURPRISE
BUT I WANT YOU TO LISTEN TO ME CARE-FULLY
VERY SOON NINE ROBOTS ARE GOING TO COME LOOKING FOR YOU
WHATEVER YOU DO. DONT LET THEM CATCH YOU.

THE ROBOT SHOWING YOU THIS MESSAGE...WAS SENT BY ME.
DON'T LET THEM CATCH YOU!
BIP
HEY !!
IS THAT CLEAR ?
HE HAS BEEN PROGRAMMED TO PROTECT YOU AND TAKE ORDERS FROM YOU.
THIS IS ALL THE VISUAL DATA I WAS GIVEN.
I DON'T KNOW ANYTHING ELSE.
GULP
BUT...
BUT THIS DOESN'T EXPLAIN ANYTHING.
BE THAT AS IT MAY...
...I'VE BEEN PRO-GRAMMED TO PROTECT YOU.
!!
FAPP
DOSH

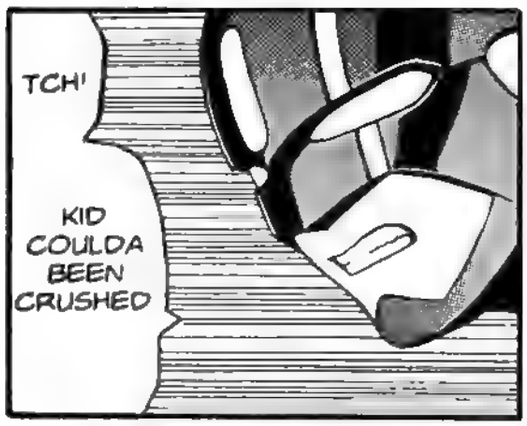
AND I ALWAYS CARRY OUT MY ORDERS!

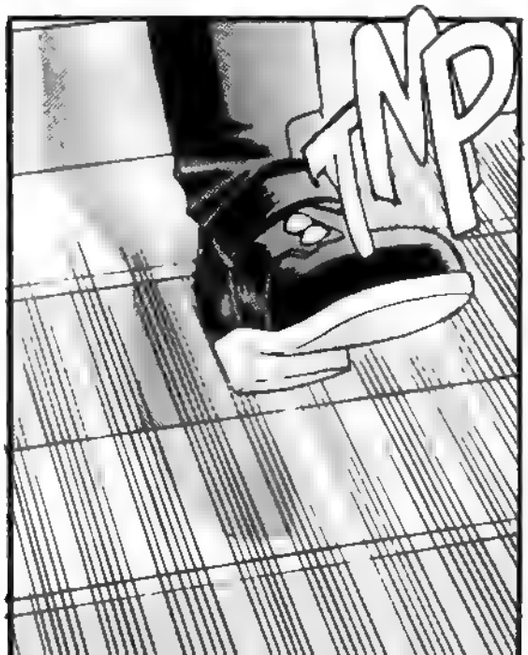


TMPTMPTMPTMPTMP
GRUMBLE
ZM-2065
WHAT THE-?
WHAT'S THAT!?
THE ONE I SHOT IN THE GAME CENTER.
SEEMS HE'S ONE OF THE NINE ROBOTS.
TMP!
TMPTMPTMPTMP

WAH!! HE'S COMING AFTER US!!
I'M AWARE OF THAT. NOW SHUT UP!
!!
TMP TMP TMP
SHA!
UNH!
SHOUCH
TMP

TMP
TMP
TMP
SKI
SH


TCH!
KID COULDA BEEN CRUSHED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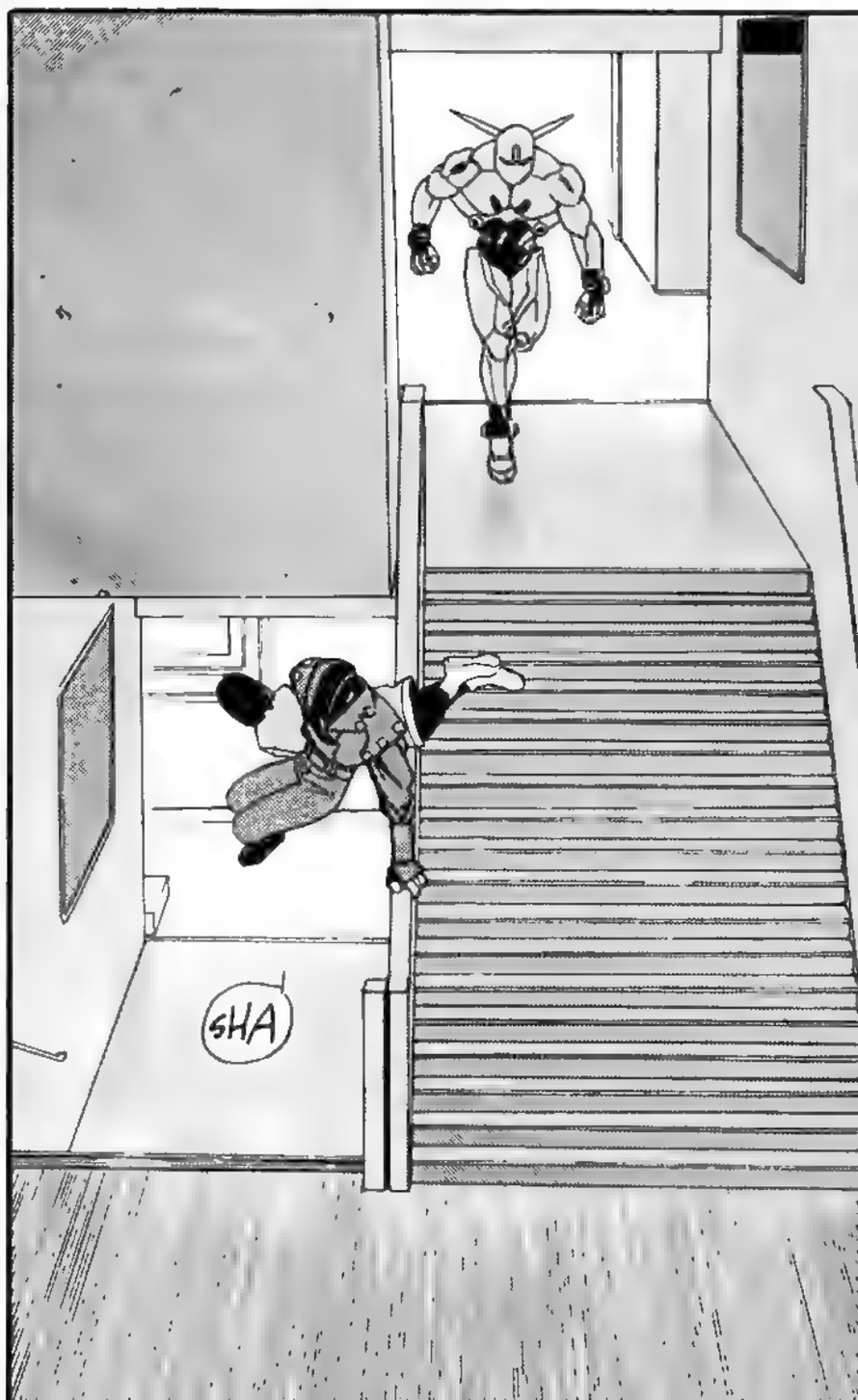
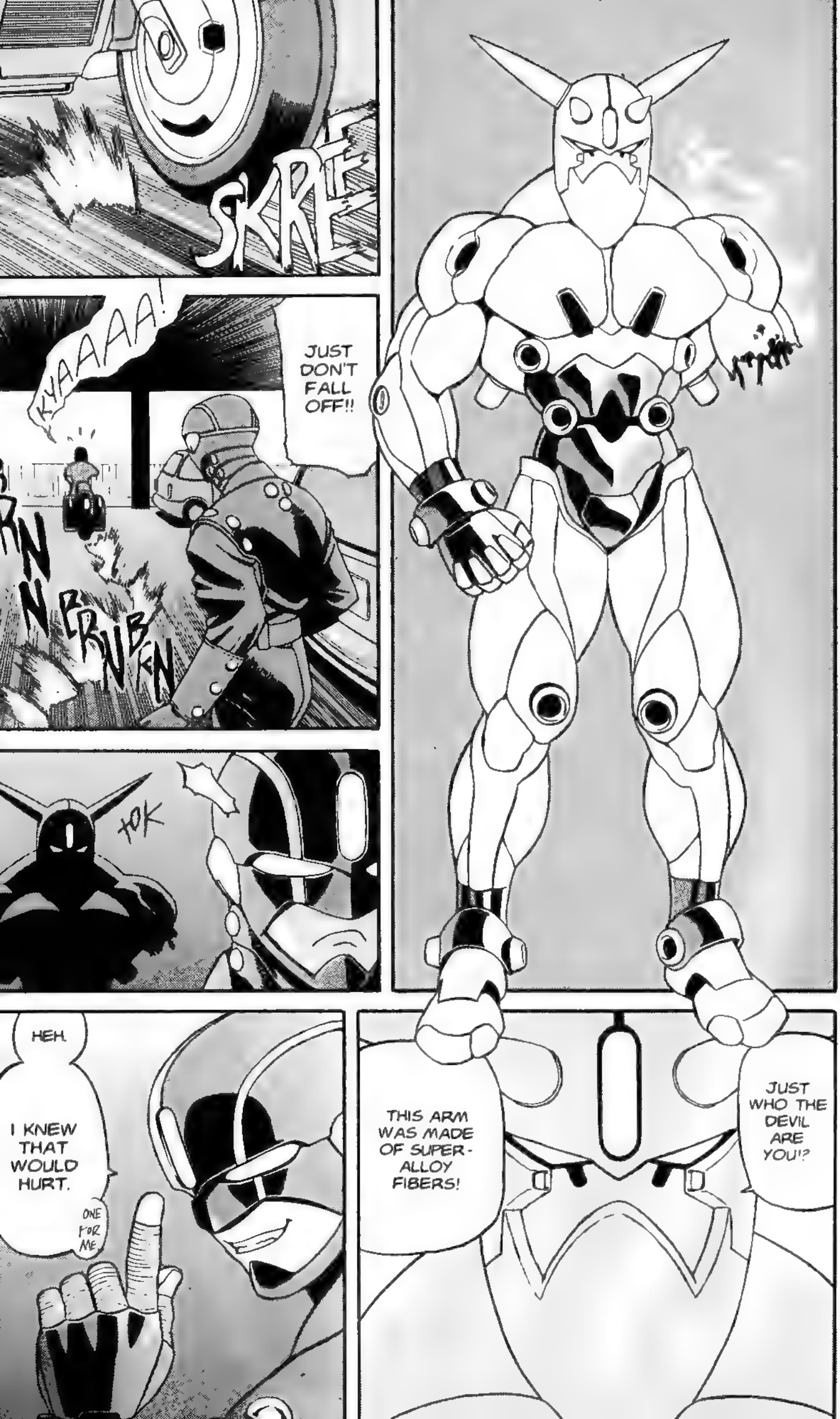

SHA

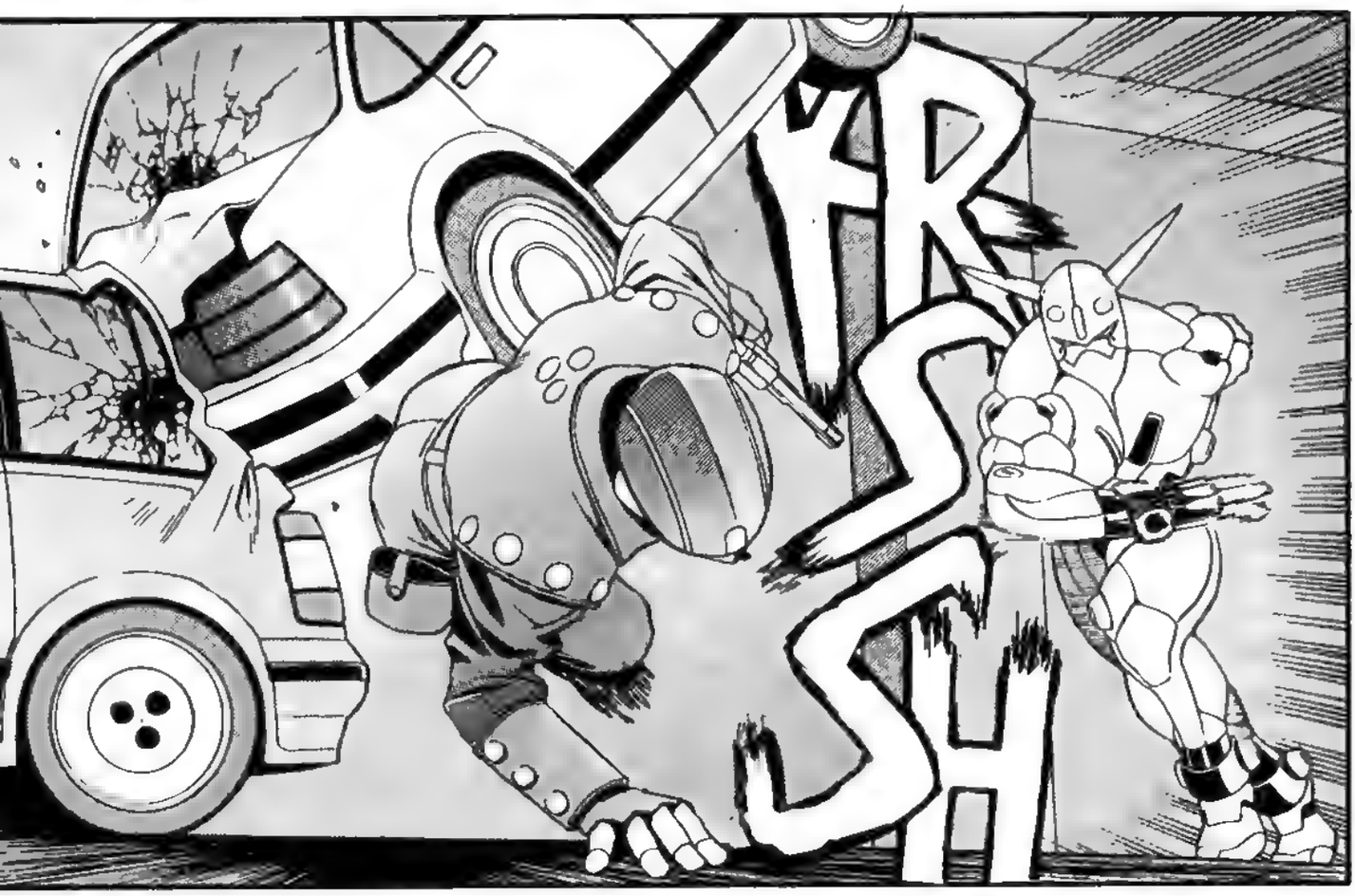
TUK
SHA
BLAM
BLAM
AHHH!

CRASH
I DECREASED THE POWER IN THE GAME CENTER BECAUSE YOU WERE NEAR
BUT THAT SHOULD HAVE GIVEN SOME DAMAGE
TMP
NOW GO
BUT I CAN'T DRIVE A MOTORCYCLE
DON'T WORRY I'LL DRIVE ITSELF

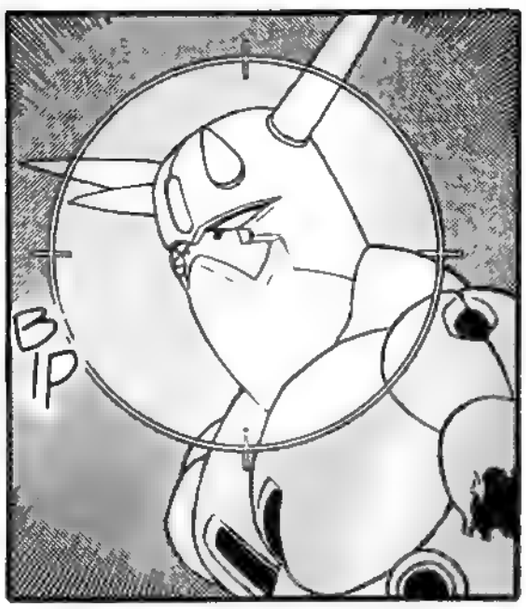

SKRE
KYAAAA!
JUST DON'T FALL OFF!!
BRNBRNBRN
TOK
HEH.
I KNEW THAT WOULD HURT.
ONE FOR ME
THIS ARM WAS MADE OF SUPER-ALLOY FIBERS!
JUST WHO THE DEVIL ARE YOU!?

GOOD QUESTION.
I DON'T REALLY KNOW MYSELF.
BUT WHY DON'T YOU TELL ME WHO YOU ARE?
THERE'S NO NEED...
...FOR NAMES!
VIP
WHAT
DOOSH
WHAT THE—!?

SHA!
SO YOU—
!!

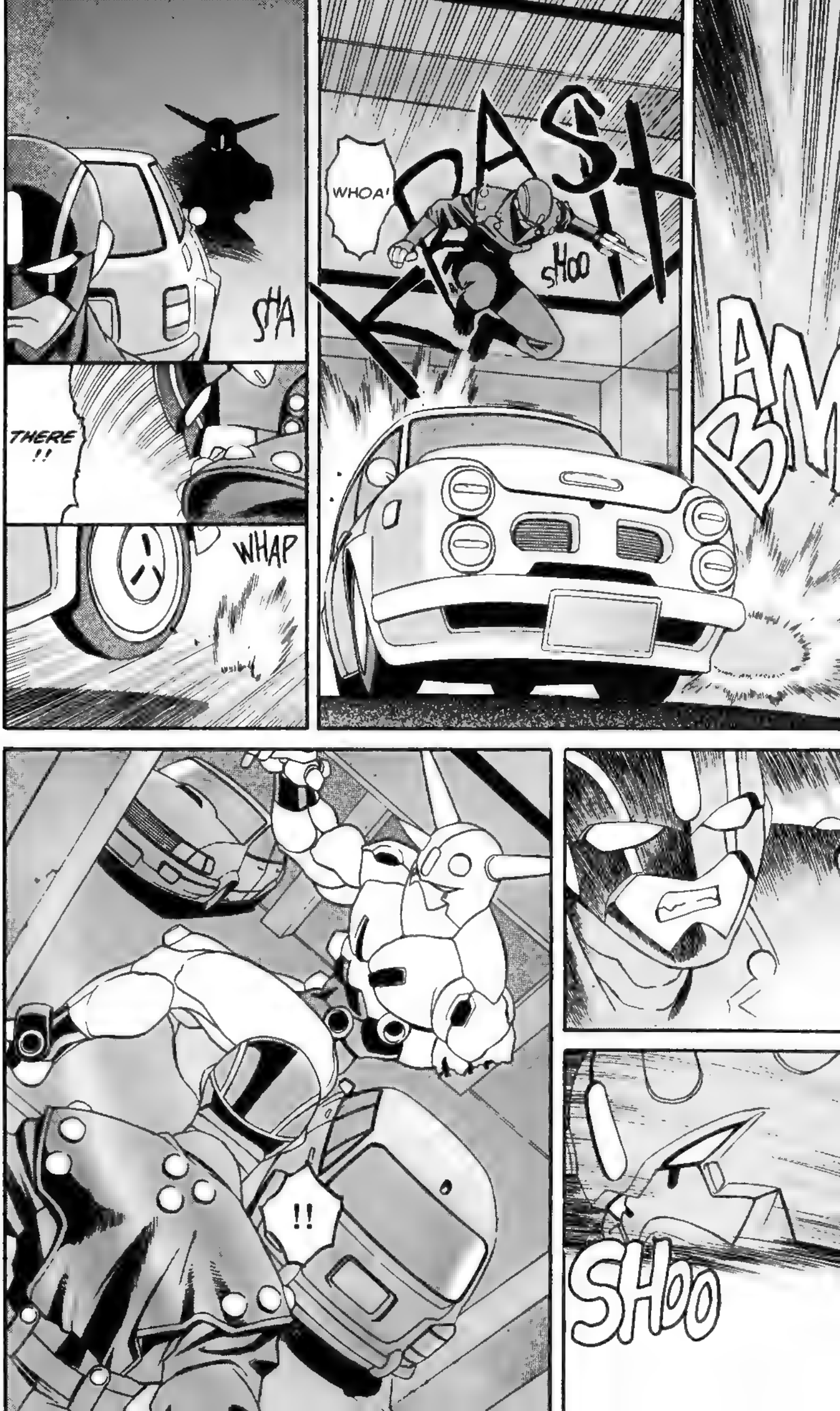

FR
SSH

SKISH!


BIP

BLAM
GNZT
!?
NG NG NG...
ALL RIGHT
CHIK
WHERE'D HE GO?
HE LE
KRR

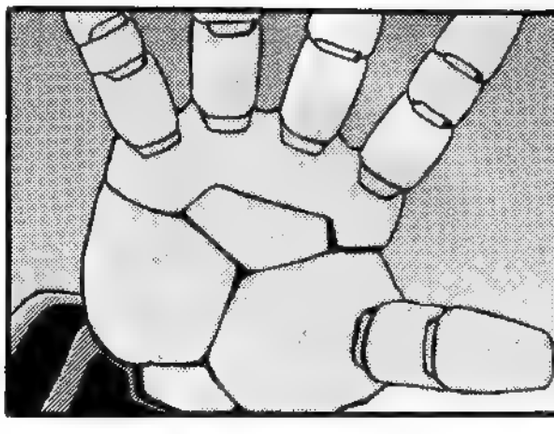
KRASH
DOOSH
SLAM
THERE
!
GONE AGAIN
HE'S A FAST ONE. ISN'T HE!?


SHA
THERE !!
WHAP
WHOA!
SHOO
CRASH
AM
!!
SHOO

KRA
KEW
KLANG
UNG HI
SKIS
HHHHH

UNH...
TOMP

SHA
WHY, YOU—!



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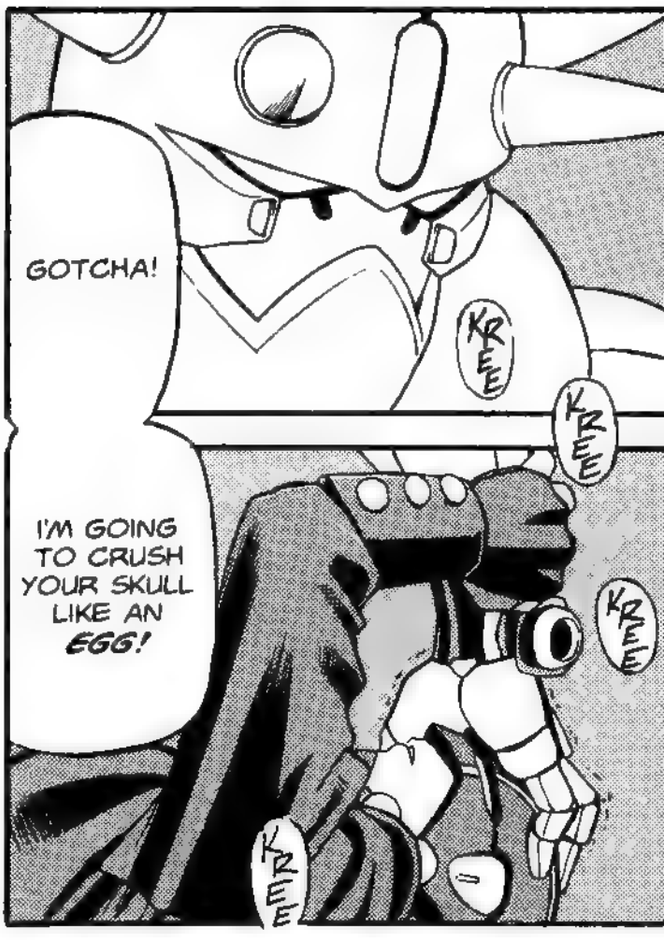
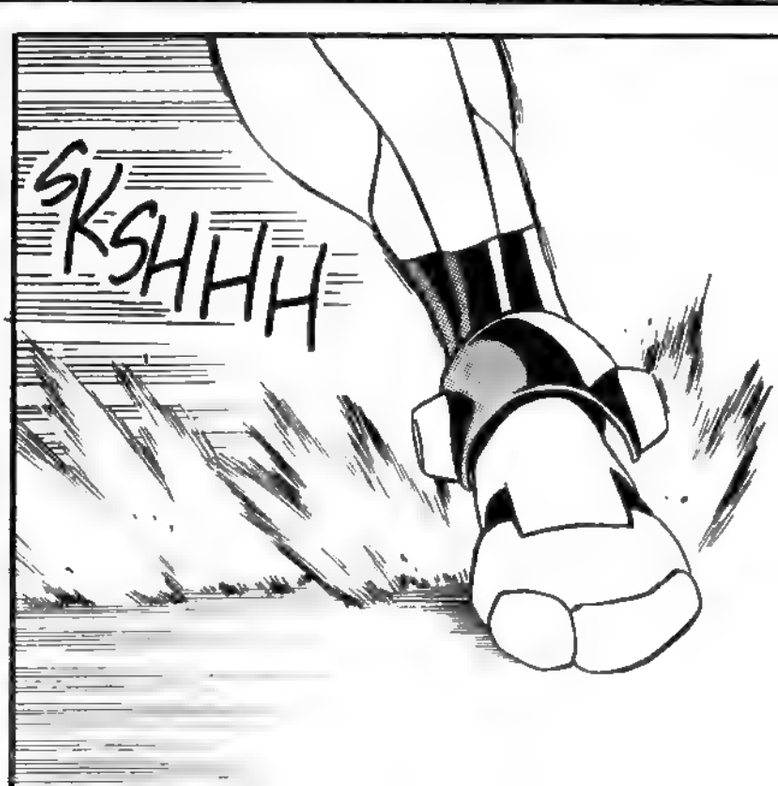

GOTCHA!
KREE
KREE
KREE
KREE
I'M GOING TO CRUSH YOUR SKULL LIKE AN EGG!

I SEE.

YOU RELY ON NOTHING BUT BRAWN IN A FIGHT. .
KREE
KREE
FAP
. BUT YOUR BRAIN IS A BIT ON THE MUSHY SIDE.
!?
WHAT'S YOUR POINT?
BIP
JUST THIS.
SKRTH
SHH
SHH
SH KK
I'M THE ONE WHO HAS YOU!!
!!
CHIK
UH--
TOO LATE.

AHH!

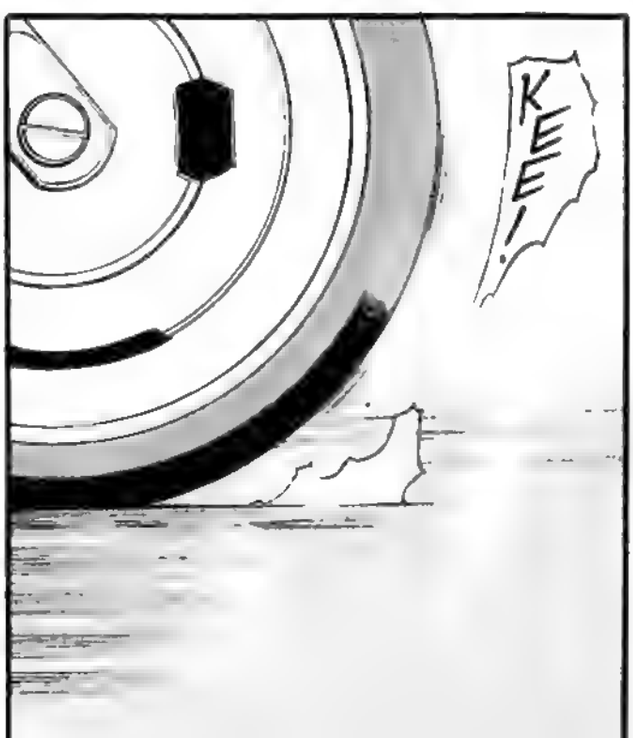

SKSHHH

SHIK
UNH.
YOU. . .!!
rattle
rattle
patter
CHAK
plup

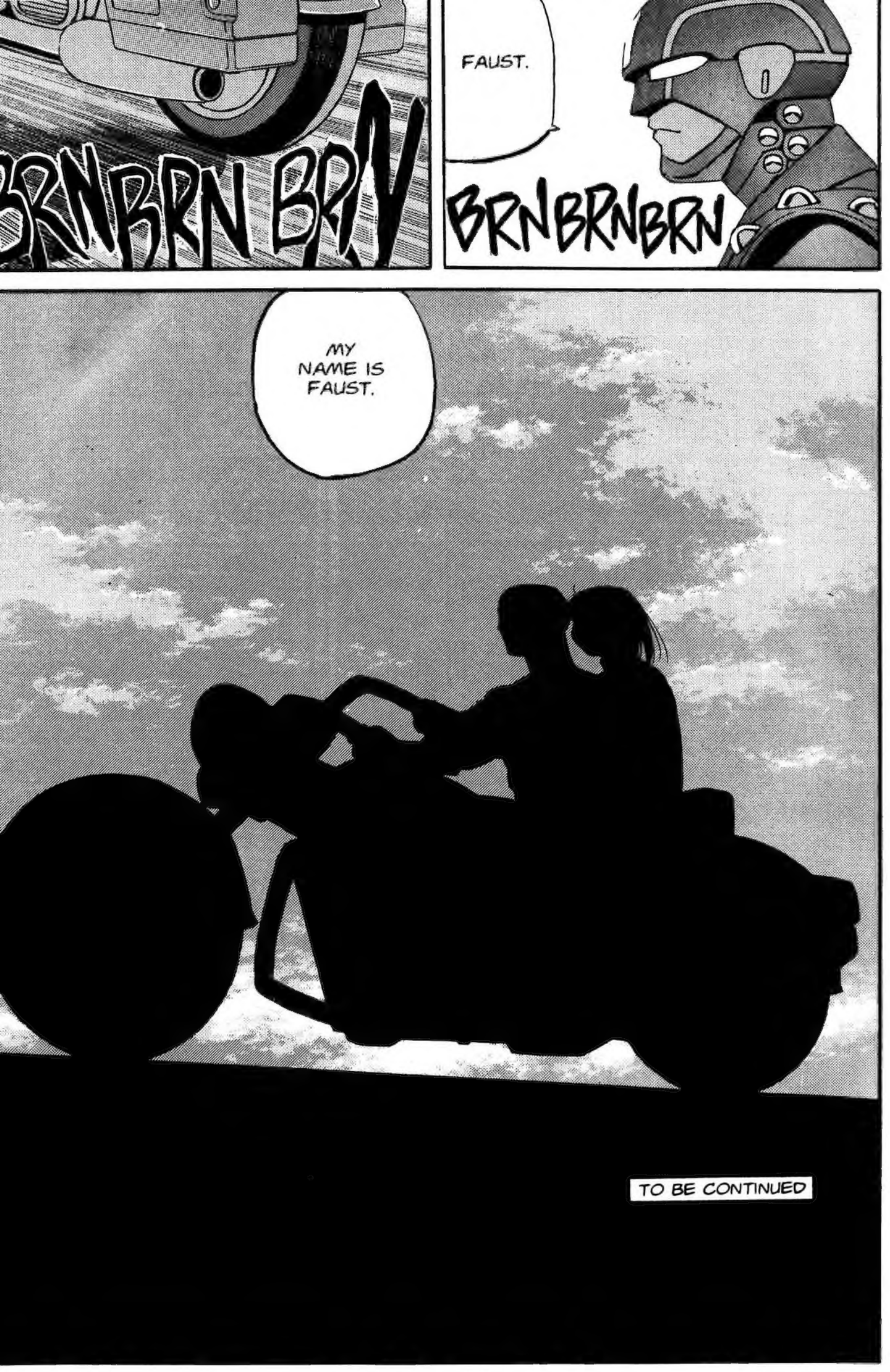
ONE QUESTION.
WHO'S YOUR MASTER? WHAT DO YOU WANT WITH RUSHIHA?
TAP TAP TAP
HAH.
IF I CONFESS, YOU'LL SPARE ME?
THAT'S A LAUGH.
KREE
KREE
A ROBOT DOESN'T DO ANYTHING HIS MASTER HASN'T ORDERED HIM TO.
INCLUDING BEGGING FOR MERCY.
YOU WOULDN'T EITHER, WOULD YOU?
...
TING
GOOD POINT.
SO LONG.

DOOM

!?
WHAT. . .?


KEE!

HUH?
THE BIKE STOPPED.
BRN BRN
WELL.
I SEE YOU'RE ALIVE.
WAH!
HE BLEW HIMSELF UP.
THAT WAS CLOSE.
H-how..?
NOW...
LET'S GET OUT OF HERE. SCOOT BACK.
...
WHAT'S WRONG?
LIKE...
...YOU STILL HAVEN'T TOLD ME YOUR NAME.


BRNBRN BRN
FAUST.
BRNBRNBRN
MY NAME IS FAUST.
TO BE CONTINUED

the HERO with a HEAD of METAL but a HEART of GOLD!

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